

In the claims

1. (Currently Amended) A device for extracting an arrow from a surface, the arrow including a head and shaft, said device comprising:

a plate;

a post extending from said plate;

a shelf extending from said plate, said shelf presenting a longitudinally extending flat surface adapted to bear along a longitudinal portion of an arrow shaft positioned thereon;

a block slidably mounted to said plate in a path having a first and second position(s), said block presenting a longitudinally extending flat surface parallel to said shelf, said block surface adapted to bear along a longitudinal portion of the arrow shaft at said second position opposite said parallel shelf surface, said block surface at said first position[,] displaced from said shelf surface and the arrow shaft thereon and at said second position is at [a] lateral and longitudinal displacements relative to said shelf surface to present a locked bearing relationship against the arrow shaft on said shelf, the arrow shaft clamped at a plurality of points therealong by said block flat surface and said parallel shelf flat surface at said second position;

a slot in said block for extension of said post therein, said block slidable along said post to define said path of said block between said first and second positions;

a handle extending from said plate, said handle adapted for grasping by a user and positioned whereupon a pulling by a user on said handle directs a force along a length of the clamped arrow shaft for extraction from the embedded surface; said block ~~movable~~ to said first position to release the clamped arrow.

2. (Previously Presented) The device as claimed in claim 1 wherein said handle includes an imaginary axis generally positioned relative to a central, longitudinal axis of the clamped arrow shaft, wherein said pulling said handle is generally directed along said axis of the clamped arrow shaft.

3. (Cancelled.)

4. (Cancelled.)

5. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim [4] 1 wherein said slot is in a generally acute angular position relative to said shelf, whereby said path of said block between said first and second positions relative to said shelf is in a generally longitudinal displacement and a diminishing lateral displacements relative to said shelf whereby to provide said clamping of the arrow shaft between said block and said shelf at said second position.

6. (Previously Presented) The device as claimed in claim 1 wherein said block path provides a friction fit engagement of said block flat surface with the arrow shaft at said second position to provide said locked bearing relationship and preclude movement of said block towards said first position.

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15. (Traversed subject to restriction requirement.)

16. (Currently Amended) A device for extracting an arrow from a surface, the arrow including a head and shaft, said device comprising:

a plate;

a post extending from said plate;

a first clamping surface mounted to said plate, said first clamping surface presenting a longitudinally extending flat surface adapted to bear along a length of the arrow shaft;

a second flat longitudinally extending clamping surface mounted to said plate and parallel to said first clamping surface, said second clamping surface presenting a longitudinally extending flat surface and adapted to bear along a length of the arrow shaft opposite said first clamping surface in a parallel relationship thereto, at least one of said surfaces having a first position displaced from the other clamping surface for placement of an arrow shaft therebetween and a second position urging said at least one clamping surface towards the other clamping surface and towards an end of the arrow shaft, the arrow shaft at said second position clamped by said flat surfaces at a plurality of points between said first clamping surface and said second clamping surface at said second position, at least said one of said clamping surfaces at said second position in a friction fit with the arrow shaft,

a slot in at least one of said clamping surfaces for reception of said post therein, said at

least one said slot slidable along said post to define said path of said at least one

clamping surface between said first and second positions, whereby to lock at least

said one of said clamping surfaces at said second position against the arrow shelf, a

pulling force on said plate transmitted to the clamped arrow for extraction from a penetrated surface.

17. (Previously Presented) The device as claimed in claim 16 further comprising a handle extending from said plate, wherein a pulling force on said handle directs a similar pulling force on said plate and along the clamped arrow shaft.

18. (Previously Presented) The device as claimed in claim 17 wherein said handle extends from said plate at a position whereby a straight line pulling force on said handle is directed in a generally similar straight line motion along the clamped arrow shaft.

19. (Cancelled.)

20. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim [19] 16 wherein said at least one slot of said at least one clamping surface is in a generally acute angular position relative to said other clamping surface, whereby said path of said at least one clamping surface between said first and second positions is in generally longitudinal and lateral displacements relative to said other clamping surface and the arrow shaft therebetween.